

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1

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1 1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY RAGAN
1 3 A Concurrent Resolution calling upon Iowans to observe
1 4 Iowa Family Development and Self-Sufficiency Week.
1 5 WHEREAS, the Iowa Family Development and
1 6 Self-Sufficiency (FaDSS) program began in 1989,
1 7 following passage of legislation in 1988 to assist
1 8 low-income families participating in the Family
1 9 Investment Program (FIP) to achieve self-sufficiency;
1 10 and
1 11 WHEREAS, more than 40,000 Iowans have participated
1 12 in FaDSS and received developmental services to
1 13 improve their lives; and
1 14 WHEREAS, the families enrolled in FaDSS are
1 15 supported in overcoming multiple barriers that would
1 16 otherwise perpetuate poverty and the success of
1 17 parents in the program has improved their lives and
1 18 the lives of their children; and
1 19 WHEREAS, for each dollar appropriated to FaDSS in
1 20 fiscal year 2005=2006, \$1.39 was returned to the state
1 21 in the form of wages and savings to FIP; and
1 22 WHEREAS, the average monthly income for the
1 23 families enrolled in FaDSS in fiscal year 2004=2005
1 24 increased by more than 45 percent from the average
1 25 prior to enrollment; and
1 26 WHEREAS, more than 75 percent of the families who
1 27 completed FaDSS in FY 2004=2005 were able to avoid
1 28 reenrolling in FIP one year later; and
1 29 WHEREAS, the causes and conditions of poverty are
1 30 complex and all citizens of Iowa benefit if the state
2 1 can successfully reduce the number of families living
2 2 in poverty; NOW THEREFORE,
2 3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF
2 4 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the General Assembly
2 5 calls upon Iowans to observe Iowa Family Development
2 6 and Self-Sufficiency Week, January 15 through 21,
2 7 2007, with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and
2 8 activities.
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